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FOR LORD EYES ONLY FROM BARTHOLOMEW

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TAGS: OVIP (KISSINGER, HENRY A.)

SUBJECT:NON-PROLIFERATION

1. NON-PROLIFERATION SECTION SEPTTEL IS OUR LATEST ATTEMPT TO GRAPPLE WITH GUIDANCE YOU RELAYED. I WANT YOU TO KNOW THAT AS I READ IT THRUST OF GUIDANCE RAISES QUESTIONS OF (A) HOW HEAVY WE WANT TO PLAY NON-PROLIFERATION IN UNGA; (B) HOW LOUD WE WANT TO SOUND THE TOCSIN; (C) HOW CLOSE WE WANT TO COME TO QUESTIONING IF NOT ACCUSING MOTIVES OF OTHER COUNTRIES; (D) HOW THREATENING WE WANT TO BE IF ONLY BY IMPLICATION; (E) HOW EXPLICIT WE SHOULD BE ON OUR PLANS AND PROGRAMS, INCLUDING DISCRIMINATORY CONSTRAINTS.

2. I THINK GUIDANCE YOU RELAYED PUSHES US TOWARDS, THOUGH PERHAPS NOT ONTO, SOME THIN ICE ON SOME OF THESE. CURRENT DRAFT WAS TAILORED TO MEET GUIDANCE AND I BELIEVE IT AVOIDS THE WORST ON QUESTIONS RAISED ABOVE. I AM SURE YOU WILL LET US KNOW SOON WHETHER WE ARE AT LEAST ONTHERIGHT WAVE LENGTH (OR SHOULD I HAVE SAID SOLID ICE). ROBINSON
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